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TAGS: [EAID](#) [PREL](#) [PREF](#) [IZ](#) [TC](#)  
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¶1. (U) Classified by Ambassador Marcelle M. Wahba for reasons 1.5 (B) and (D).

¶2. (C) Polchief delivered reftel demarche on cash assistance for WFP provision of Iraq foodstuff to MFA Assistant U/S for Political Affairs Abdullah Rashid Al-Nuaimi on March 19. Al-Nuaimi indicated that visiting WFP officials had held a meeting earlier in the day with the UAE Foreign Ministry to discuss the expeditious establishment of a WFP regional office in Dubai. The Emiratis have authorized the establishment of the office and Al-Nuaimi believes it will be opened almost immediately in order to facilitate the movement of foodstuffs to Iraq. He noted that the visiting WFP officials had not made mention of the need for cash assistance.

¶3. (C) Al-Nuaimi promised to brief MFA Minstate Hamdan (who is also the Chairman of the UAE Red Crescent Authority) immediately on our request, but noted that the UAE would be channeling significant amounts of humanitarian assistance, including foodstuffs, via the UAE Red Crescent Authority, which already has a presence in Iraq and a relationship with the Iraqi Red Crescent Society. The UAE RCA employees intend to remain in Iraq during the conflict stage in order to ensure the continuing flow of assistance to the Iraqi people. Polchief suggested that it would be useful if the UAEG regularly briefed USG officials on their humanitarian assistance plans as that would help us understand the types of aid going to Iraq.

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